GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:279
ANSWERED ON:22.02.2001
ISSUING OF PHOTO IDENTITY CARDS IN BIHAR
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of voters in Bihar;

(b) the number of voters who have been issued photo identity cards in Bihar;

(c) whether the Union Government have released its share of expenditure to the Government of Bihar for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) 58,438,317.

(b) 21,681,836.

(c) & (d) Yes Sir. The Union Government has since 1994-95 released provisional advance payment of Rs. 35,53,92,000/- as Government of India`s share of the expenditure incurred on the issuance of photo identity cards to voters. The said amount was released in two instalments, Rs. 22,76,00,000/- released in 1994-95 and Rs. 12,77,92,000/- in 1995-96, based on the projection of the total expenditure likely to be incurred on this account by the State Government.